

## **ABSTRACT**

A vehicle occupant safety device for protecting the neck and nape area of an occupant of a vehicle. The device includes a main airbag for bending the head of the occupant, and at least one secondary airbag in fluid communication with the main airbag. The secondary airbag and the main airbag being connected to one another so that the second airbag fills with gas first. The secondary airbag being configured to fill with gas and deploy to position the main airbag before inflation of the main airbag occurs.